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Medicaid Solutions Workgroup

- Established by Governor Dugaard during Legislative Session. Goal: To develop short and long term strategies to reduce Medicaid costs
- Chaired by Governor's office and includes broad stakeholder representation (Legislators, providers across the continuum of Medicaid funded services, staff from Department of Social Services and Department of Human Services)
- Group tasked to make recommendations to Governor Dugaard and the Legislature by October 1, 2011

  
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Medicaid Solutions Workgroup

- Group began meeting during Legislative session and has met several times
- Group did not directly identify short term solutions during Legislative session. Focus shifted to longer term strategies.
- Identified four focus areas which included Physician Services, Patient Centered Care (hospital), Pharmacy, and Home and Community Based Services.

  
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#### Medicaid Solutions Workgroup Sub-committees

- Patient Accountability and Reimbursement originally discussed as separate groups. Decision made to incorporate these into each of the other subgroups.
- To avoid overlap/duplication the Physician Services and Patient Centered Care groups were combined into one group resulting in 3 subgroups.
- Each sub-committee is tasked with evaluating various approaches to reduce costs.



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#### Sub-committee Objectives

##### Physician Services/Patient Centered Care

- Care Management
- Primary Care Medical Homes
- Utilization Reviews
- Evidence Based Care Guidelines
- Reimbursement Models and Patient Accountability
- Emergency Room Diversion
- Chronic Disease Management
- Development of Accountable Care Organizations



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#### Sub-committee Objectives

##### Home and Community Based Services

- Develop recommendations on different models of service to meet individuals' needs in the least restrictive most appropriate environment
- Analyze future funding opportunities available through the federal government
- Patient accountability and reimbursement models

##### Pharmacy

- Develop prescription drug formulary for Medicaid
- Review prior authorization practices
- Expansion of 340b program as a reimbursement model
- Patient accountability



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#### Future Meeting Dates

- Sub-committees and larger workgroup scheduled to meet throughout the summer

- Meeting schedule:

June 23-24, 2011

July 28-29, 2011

August 22-23, 2011

September- To be determined

- Decisions by consensus; anticipate several targeted solutions in key areas, not a single solution

